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Dutch Royal family on holiday



AUSTRIA, LECH: Queen Beatrix of The Netherlands looks on as she attends photocall session as part of the Royal Dutch family's ski holidays in Lech am Arlberg, western Austria, this week. The Dutch royals have been coming here since 1959. It is also the first anniversary of Prince Friso's skiing accident. The Dutch queen's second son was hit by an avalanche while skiing off piste during the family vacation last year. Friso is still in a coma one year later. (AFP PHOTO)

Sinbad is back! Soul Beach Music Festival Aruba 2013 featuring D'Angelo and Ne-Yo



D'Angelo

Producers of the annual Soul Beach Music Festival, which has found a home on Aruba, were proud to announce that the man who started it all, Sinbad, will be back to rock the Aruba Entertainment Center of Friday, March 22, for the opening Comedy Concert of the Memorial Day weekend. Opening for Sinbad that evening will comedian Damon Williams.

Saturday night's headliner for the musical events taking place at Nikky Beach, next to the Surfside Marina will be R&B and neo soul singer-songwriter D'Angelo and Sunday evening, March 24, Grammy Award winning artist Ne-Yo, will close out the five-day event.

D'Angelo's musical talents were discovered at an early age. When only 3 years old, he his older brother 10- Luther observed him playing the house piano. "It was a full-fledged song, with melody and bass line," recalls Luther. "Soon he started playing for my father's church and he had to slide down to reach the pedals of the Hammond organ, but he did that very well."

His debut album, "Brown Sugar" was released in June 1995. The album earned plat-

inum status. The much-delayed follow-up album, "Voodoo", was released in 2000 on Virgin Records, which had purchased EMI Records Group. During the interim he had performed duets, wrote for other artists. His albums are considered to have

contributed substantially to the Neo-Soul movement of the time. After the release, D'Angelo embarked on what would



Ne-Yo

tory, the Voodoo Tour. In 2002, Q magazine named him in its list of "50 Bands to See Before You Die."

Beginning his career as a songwriter, Ne-Yo penned the hit "Let Me Love You" for the singer Mario. The single's successful release in the United States prompted an informal meeting between Ne-Yo and Def Jam's label head, and the signing of a recording contract. His debut album, "In My Own Words", which contained the US number one hit "So Sick", was released in 2006.

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Sinbad

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Public Library presenting "Migration and Cultural heritage in Aruba" tonight

Aruban institutions are pleased to welcome Professor Artwell Cain PhD, the founder/director of Institute of Cultural Heritage & Knowledge. Dr. Cain is presenting his work "Migration and Cultural Heritage in Aruba" tonight at the main branch of the public library, located on George Madurostraat in Oranjestad at 7:30 PM. Last night, he did a special session at the IPA School in San Nicolas. Prior to found the Institute, Dr. Cain was the director of NiN-see (National Institute of Dutch Slavery Past and Legacy). He attained his masters degree in cultural anthropology and gathered expertise as a science researcher in Utrecht, among many. He directed the Foundation for the Furtherance of the Well-being of Antilleans and Arubans at Rotterdam and obtained his PhD in 2007 at the University at Tilburg. His thesis examined upward social mobility of migrant directors in Dutch organizations. He has edited the book "Tula: Slave Rebellion in Curacao" and written and published various papers and essays pertaining to integration, citizenship, diversity policy, representation, issues of identity, as well as the aftermath of Trans-Atlantic slavery and social mobility.

Dr. Cain's current work, in Dutch, pertains to the early years of the 20th century when many workers throughout the Caribbean region were forced to emigrate from their homelands seeking employment and improved conditions. This was characteristic of the period between 1900 - 1930, due to the depression. This effect many Caribbean economies in particular after the abolishment of slavery.

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"Skilled and unskilled workers were contracted to work in economies which were doing relatively better," explains the professor. "Some worked on the construction of the Panama Canal, others went to cut sugar cane in Cuba, while others worked on building the railway system in Brazil or were employed in the banana industry of Central America. These were common forms of climbing out of poverty, coupled with a livelihood strategy and to societal aspirations."

Events of the 1920's, specifically the construction of Lago Oil Company, changed Aruba's fortunes, facilitating exceptional prosperity for the region and opportunities for employment. Workers were contracted largely from the English speaking islands, which were then colonies of Great Britain. These workers came from Saint Martin in the North to Trinidad and Tobago in the South, as well as many islands between the two.

The immigrant workers brought their social memory, cultural habits, religious affiliations and traditions from their respective islands to Aruba, most notably Carnival, calypso music and steelpan, which have been integrated and influence by the native culture. The essence of this lecture is to probe the cultural and social contributions brought by these migrants to Aruba with an analysis of their remaining heritage and what this may mean to Arubans today. The presentation will be in Dutch; it is free and all are welcome to attend.

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ORANJESTAD – Last Saturday, The Motor Vehicle inspection Department – DTI – started with placing inspection stickers on the windshields of cars that has already passed the inspection test at the beginning of the year.

Taking into account that there are still many cars without this sticker, DTI has decided to continue with this service during the week, from Monday to Friday, from 11:30 to 12 noon and 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

DTI kindly request all motorists who does not have their sticker as yet, to go to the Inspection Hall in Pos Chiquito as soon as possible to obtain the inspection sticker. DTI hopes to finish this procedure in a very short time.

Soul Beach Music Festival Aruba 2013...

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He immediately followed this success with two albums, "Because of You" and "Year of the Gentleman" in 2007 and 2008. The first included the US top 3 hit of the same name, earning him a nomination for a Grammy as Best Male R&B Performance. The album won the a Grammy for Best Contemporary R&B Album of the year. The subsequent album contained three numbers that placed in the top 10, "Closer", "Mad" and "Miss Independent" and was nominated for a Grammy as Best Album of the Year. Ne-Yo won the Grammy that year for Best Male R & B Vocal Performance and Best R & B Song for "Miss Independent."

In the spring of 2011, Ne-Yo collaborated with American rapper Pittbull on his single, "Give Me Everything," which peaked at number-one on the Billboard Hot 100, giving Ne-Yo his second U.S. number-one single since 2006.

Multi-talented singer, composer musician and Grammy nominee Elle Varner will share the stage with Ne-Yo on Sunday



Elle Vanner

evening.

More performers are to be announced as arrangements are finalized. The holiday weekend begins on Wednesday, May 22, with their famous welcome party. All five days of the SBMF 2013 will be punctuated by daily beach parties and their famous after-concert events.

For more information on the artists and a full line up of activities and purchase tickets, visit their website: <http://www.soul-beach.net/2013/>.

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By Rosalie Klein

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A very happy Mrs. van der Roest



Aura Casino at the Occidental Grand is the place to play right now! The cash prizes are flowing out and happy players are leaving with big smiles on their faces.

Recently, **Mrs. Van der Roest** was one of those happy winners. Mrs. Dewi van der Roest found her lucky streak in the newly renovated Aura Casino "where players win."

She won a total amount of \$ 1,708,50 while playing on the brand new slot machine "Quick Hits."

Another happy winner was **Mrs. Lydia Croes**, who won a total amount of \$1,306,- at the Aura Casino while playing on the brand new slot machine "Fortunes of the Deep."

Mrs. Mary-Lou Bennetti also decided to join the winners. Mrs. Pepin won a total amount of \$1,000,- playing the slotmachine "Deuces Wild."

And the winning just con-

tinues at the Aura Casino as **Mr. Stephen Simco** also finds her lucky streak in the Casino "where players win".

Mr. Simco won a total amount of \$1,006,17 at the Aura Casino at the Occidental Grand while playing on the brand new slot machine "Banana King."

Mrs. Denise Brocca was also another happy winner after walking away with the nice sum of \$2,000, won on the slot machine "Bonus Poker"

Staff & Management want to congratulate all the lucky winners and invite everyone to come and win at the Aura Casino at the Occidental Grand: "Where players win."

The center of Aruba has definitely shifted here at the Aura Casino, which happens to be smack-dab in the middle of all the action on Palm Beach.

Come and try your luck, maybe you can be one of Aura Casino's next lucky winners!

Loyal visitors honored at Divi Aruba All Inclusive



Recently, John Mierzejewski and Rosalie Mierzejewski were honored as Goodwill Ambassador. The symbolic honorary title is presented in the name of the Minister of Tourism as a token of appreciation to guests who visit Aruba for between 10 and 20 years consecutive. The honorees are members of Divi Aruba All Inclusive and have been enjoying the Island every year. Ms. Darline S. de Cuba representing Aruba Tourism Authority conducted the ceremony at Divi Aruba All Inclusive. Top reason for returning provided by the honorees were they consider Aruba to be the "Happy Island", the great weather, and Friendly Aruban Hospitality.



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Cas Animal Cont'd

Cas Animal Foundation receives renewed support from international animal groups



Kirsten with Jan Krol and Sander at site of shelter

Kirsten Arndt, Founder and Director of the Cas Animal Foundation welcomed a visit from Jan Krol of the Dutch Foundation DierenLot and Sander van Hesteran from World Wide Animal Rescue, WWAR, which are staunch supporters of her efforts to build Aruba's first and only no-kill shelter for abused and abandoned animals.

The gentleman were on Aruba for a brief visit and update, followed by a stop in Bonaire to assist with the facility they support on Aruba's sister island. They expressed enormous pleasure with a tour of the acreage that the Aruban government has set aside for Cas Animal to build a proper facility accommodating comfortably up to 250 dogs and other animals.

Kirsten has been pursuing this dream for over ten years, and has recently received the green light from the Department of Public Works to break ground. The area in Kibaima is restricted from residential construction, so the many dogs will have a large, comfortable space to live without disturbing any neighbors. Already a number of the kennels have been sponsored by local animal lovers, and regular island visitors from the U.S. and Europe.

The ultimate aim of Cas Animal is to place the recovered dogs in loving homes, and inquiries about adoption are welcome. The Dutch foundations are presently supporting Cas Animal with an Animal Ambulance, to re-

cover injured animals or assist islanders unable to get their dogs to a vet.

Presently, the foundation has five young, sweet dogs for which they are seeking homes. Kirsten is an advocate of a "rescue and adopt" philosophy, as well as the proper neutering of pets to insure limiting population of unwanted animals on Aruba. Her costs for feeding, treating and neutering all the dogs she

rescues and maintains are astronomical. If anyone wishes to help, they can support her with donations in the form of payment to the Cas Animal Foundation account at the Contreras Veterinary Clinics or to Animal Care Clinic in Paradera, phone number 582-8382. Donations can be made directly to the foundation's account: Cas Animal Foundation, CMB Bank account # 25762110. If you are not an

island resident and wish to adopt a dog, or see one in distress, call Kiki at 742-8732 and she will help you through the process of acquiring the papers and a carrier needed to take one home. This is done regularly and many happy owners find great pleasure in being reminded every day of Aruba by the loving new members of their households.

By Rosalie Klein

Caught Fish on Aruba during vacation?



David Sperduti and his wife Catherine has been visiting our beautiful Aruba for 23 years already. David is from Auburn NY. On their recent visit while fishing at the Eagle Beach David caught this huge 25 inch Bone Fish on a piece of squid. Cathy could not resist sharing this photo of her proud hubby David with his catch with THE MORNING NEWS. She also added: "We love it here! Congrats David, great catch!"

Due to a training for its personnel Change in office hours at Lotto pa Deporte offices today

ORANJESTAD – The Aruba Lottery offices announces to all its clients that its 2 offices will be closed tomorrow, February 20, 2013, during the morning hours. This because of a training session for the personnel.

The office at Paardenbaaistraat will be closed from

9:00 am until 1:00 p.m.; the one is San Nicolas, from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

The offices will open be open again in the afternoon hours.

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Street Car apparently doing well on Mainstreet



Tourists are getting off at the end of the Mainstreet as was the plan for the street cars to traverse through downtown. In the past, tourists would stop somewhere in the mid-

dle of the down town area and never visit the stores at the top of the street. The government also considers it important for our visitors to visit our historic buildings in the

center of the city. With the new street cars or trolleys, this is the best way to connect the route from in front of the Oranjestad wharf, go through the Schelpstraat, all the way

One half of those who took the ride were locals and the other half were cruise tourists. Many locals use the service either as an outing and to travel from one point to the other, while the

up to the end of the Mainstreet, make a turn and return to the starting point passing through the Havenstraat.

As much of the work in the Mainstreet is not completed, nor is the law pertaining to street-cars ready, the possibility has been created for the street car to begin traversing the streets as of Saturday. The street-car will traverse the streets from 10:00 in the morning to 1:00 in the afternoon.

Anthony Geerman, the street car manager, reported that during the few hours that the street car was running the past two days, he calculated that some 320 persons made use of the service.

tourists use the service to do their shopping and return to the wharf as quickly as possible.

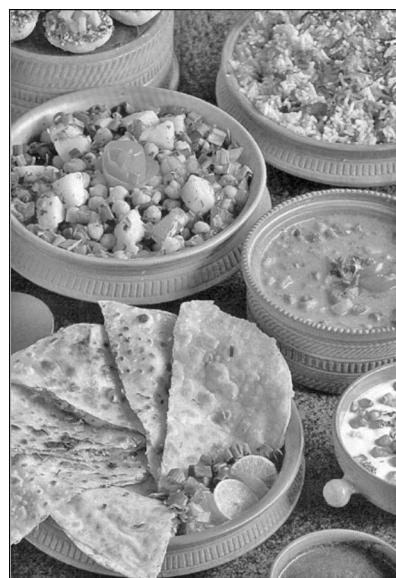
The street car reaches up to Burger King and makes six stops. The last stop is where most of the tourists get off – above Bon Bini Bazaar.

In the planning, Aruba will have four street cars, one will be on reserve. Six street car operators have been certified to operate these vehicles. There will always be one conductor and two officials on board each car. The officials will be the ones to inform passengers where to get off or get on the car, and what stop is approaching.

When all the street cars are in operation, they will run from 7 o'clock in the morning to 9:00pm in the evening from Monday to Saturday.

On Sunday the schedule will be from 3:00pm in the afternoon to 7:00pm in the evening.

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Colombia's FARC presses Santos for ceasefire

HAVANA (AFP) - Colombia's leftist FARC guerrillas called on President Juan Manuel Santos Tuesday to agree to a cease-fire, saying they supported a proposal for an internationally verified truce.

Ivan Marquez, the chief FARC negotiator in peace talks in Havana with the Santos government, praised a truce proposal advanced by a conservative former lawmaker and government minister, Alvaro Leyva.

"We agree with your proposal for a bilateral truce with international oversight," he said, addressing Leyva.

Leyva made the proposal in a column published in the newspaper *El Nuevo Siglo* calling for "a ceasefire, a bilateral truce, but one that is for real. Controlled. With an international verification mission for the truce."

In the past, Santos has adamantly rejected a ceasefire without a peace agreement, seeing it as a FARC ploy.

The last attempt at a negotiated settlement collapsed in

2002 when rebels used a Switzerland-sized demilitarized zone set aside as an encouragement for peace to instead regroup and rearm.

The FARC declared a unilateral ceasefire for two months after the start of the current peace talks in November, but did not extend it after the government failed to reciprocate.

Marquez, the FARC's number two leader, said it wasn't true that the FARC, the country's largest rebel group, was seeking to regroup under cover of a ceasefire.

"The logic of guerrilla war has shown that when you are not fighting, you tend to disappear," Marquez said. "For us a ceasefire implies a big effort, but we know it is an important step to show the will for peace on both sides."

The FARC, which is estimated to number around 8,000 fighters, has been waging an armed struggle since 1964, making the conflict the oldest in Latin America.

Dutch, Spanish navies detain nine 'pirates' off Somalia

THE HAGUE (AFP) - The Dutch and Spanish navies on Tuesday detained nine alleged pirates off the Somali coast, the Dutch defence ministry said in a statement.

A helicopter took off from Dutch frigate *De Ruyter* early Tuesday after a Panamanian-registered vessel said it had felt threatened.

The helicopter intercepted one high-speed boat and detained "some" of the suspects, the ministry said.

Spanish frigate *Mendez Nunez* also dispatched a helicopter which intercepted an-

other speedboat, detaining more suspects, all of whom are now aboard the Dutch ship.

The ministry said those on board the detained skiffs had thrown objects overboard and tried to head off in different directions.

After a spike at the start of the last decade, successful pirate attacks on commercial vessels sailing off the Horn of Africa have diminished, deterred by the European Union Naval Force's anti-piracy operation *Atalanta*.

British novelist slams 'plastic' Kate



LONDON (AFP) - British novelist Hilary Mantel faced a right royal backlash on Tuesday after describing Prince William's wife Catherine as a "shop window mannequin" with a "plastic smile" whose only purpose is to breed.

Prime Minister David Cameron waded in to the row by criticising the double Booker Prize-winning author's comments as "completely wrong", while Britain's patriotic press leapt to the defence of the pregnant Duchess of Cambridge.

Mantel, 60, said Kate had neither the personality of William's late mother Diana, princess of Wales, nor the presence of historical heavyweight Anne Boleyn, who features heavily in Mantel's novel "Wolf Hall".

In a lecture given two weeks ago at the British Museum and reprinted this week in the London Review of Books literary journal, Mantel added that Kate appeared "machine-made" when she first emerged in public.

"Kate Middleton, as she was, appeared to have been designed by a committee and built by craftsmen, with a perfect plastic smile and the spindles of her limbs hand-turned and gloss-varnished," Mantel said.

Mantel said the 31-year-old duchess had gone from being a "jointed doll on which certain rags are hung" to someone whose "only point and purpose" was to have children, according to the novelist.

Before marrying second-in-line to the throne William in 2011 and falling pregnant last year, Kate was a "shop-window mannequin, with no personality of her own, entirely defined by what she wore."

"These days she is a mother-to-be, and draped in another set of threadbare attributions. Once she gets over being sick, the press will find that she is radiant," she said.



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Nigeria wants world's help to slow massive oil theft

ABUJA (AFP) - Nigeria has appealed to foreign governments to help crack down on crude oil theft, the oil minister said Tuesday of the illicit industry that robs Africa's biggest oil producer of some \$6 billion per year.

However, industry officials from Shell and other firms say more needs to be done within Nigeria itself to stop or at least slow the sabotage of pipelines and theft of oil that feeds a lucrative black market.

President Goodluck Jonathan discussed the issue with British Prime Minister David Cameron during a visit to London earlier this month, Oil Minister Diezani Alison-Madueke told an oil industry conference in Abuja.

In addition to efforts by the country's security forces, she said Nigeria wants international cooperation to crack down on laundering through global banks of oil theft money as well as funds from the refining of stolen crude, which often occurs abroad.

Jonathan "has also started reaching out to his counterparts in various countries

where we feel some of our products are being refined in, and also where fiscal entities throughout the world are laundering the funds that are made as a result ...," said Alison-Madueke.

Highly organised crude oil theft has grown into a major problem in Nigeria, which derives some 80 percent of government revenue from the oil industry.

While a 2009 amnesty deal led to a sharp decline in unrest in the oil-producing Niger Delta region, criminality is still widespread, and some in the industry allege oil theft has worsened.

Besides robbing the country of an estimated \$6 billion (4.5 billion euros) a year in revenue, it also often causes pipeline shutdowns since thieves sometimes sabotage them before stealing oil.

"I must acknowledge the federal government's effort at addressing these challenges, but there is still a lot more that must be done," Mutiu Sunmonu, managing director of Shell's Nigerian subsidiary SPDC told the conference.

"In the recent past, militancy has simply been replaced by industrial scale oil theft and sabotage. We and others have had to (cut) significant production, spend huge amounts on replacing and repairing hardware and deploying massive resources to clean up oil spills."

However, activists allege Shell does not do enough to prevent such spills or clean them up adequately when they occur in many cases.

A landmark 2011 UN report on oil pollution in Nigeria's Ogoniland region criticised Shell over control and maintenance of its infrastructure, saying the company's own procedures were not applied.

Nigeria is Africa's largest oil producer, with current output at around 2.0 million barrels per day. However, most of the country lives on less than \$2 per day, despite the country's oil wealth.

Robbers bag jewellery worth up to 3 mn euros in Paris heist

PARIS (AFP) - Armed robbers on Tuesday hit an upscale diamond jeweller in central Paris, making off with valuables estimated to be worth up to three million euros (four million dollars), police said. The two men armed with handguns held up the De Beers stand in the Printemps department store in the early evening heist. A source close to the police inquiry said they did not fire their weapons and no one was injured. De Beers declined to comment on the attack. The heist comes less than 24 hours after masked thieves staged a spectacular five-minute robbery on the tarmac at Brussels airport, stealing diamonds worth \$50 million (37 million euros).

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International News

World's biggest food firms embroiled in Europe horsemeat scandal

PARIS (AFP) - The world's biggest food company, Swiss-based Nestle, and the world's top beef producer, JBS of Brazil, were Tuesday the latest in a long list of firms to be embroiled in Europe's spiralling horsemeat scandal.

Their involvement in the fast-moving drama marked another milestone in a scandal that has seen supermarket chains across Europe pull from their shelves millions of "beef" products that are thought to contain horsemeat.

Nestle announced it was removing two ready-to-eat meals -- beef ravioli and beef tortellini -- from supermarket shelves in Italy and Spain after tests found traces of horse

DNA in the products.

That brings to around a dozen the number of countries where tests have confirmed that horsemeat has been fraudulently passed off as beef.

Nestle said in a statement late Monday that the horse DNA was found in two products made with beef supplied by German firm HJ Schypke.

It said there was no food safety issue but the tainted products breached the one percent threshold the British Food Safety Agency uses to indicate likely adulteration or gross negligence.

JBS of Brazil, which used HJ Schypke as a subcontractor, meanwhile said its Belgian branch would stop buying Eu-

ropean meat "until confidence is restored in the European beef supply chain."

It sought to distance itself from the scandal, saying in a statement on its website: "Schypke, a traditional German manufacturer of processed meat products, is not in any way part of the JBS Group."

On Monday, German discount chain Lidl pulled ready-made meals from the shelves of its Finnish, Danish, Swedish and Belgian stores as it also confirmed the presence of horsemeat.

The French firm that sparked the Europe-wide food alert, by allegedly passing off 750 tonnes of horsemeat as beef, was allowed to resume production of minced meat, sausages and ready-to-eat meals.

But Spanghero, whose horsemeat found its way into 4.5 million "beef" products sold across Europe, will no longer be allowed to stock frozen meat, France's Agriculture Minister Stephane Le Foll said Monday.

Upholding that ban means it cannot act as middleman between abattoirs and food-processing companies, the situation which allegedly allowed it to change labels on horsemeat and sell it on as beef.

The firm's sanitary licence was suspended last Thursday after it was accused of passing off huge quantities of mislabelled meat over a period of six months.

Horsemeat in "beef" dishes has now been confirmed in products found in Britain, Ireland, France, Austria, Norway, the Netherlands, Germany, Italy, Spain and Belgium.

All parties have stressed that this is a food labelling issue, not a health issue.

Brussels airport heist nets \$50 mn in diamonds

BRUSSELS (AFP) - Heavily armed robbers disguised as police made off with \$50 million (37 million euros) worth of diamonds in a spectacular heist on the tarmac at Brussels airport, prosecutors and diamond dealers said Tuesday.

The Monday night robbery at Zaventem airport just before 8 pm (1900 GMT) was "one of the biggest" ever, said a spokeswoman for the Antwerp World Diamond Centre (AWDC), the global dealers' syndicate.

The raid saw a gang of eight hooded thieves pull up on the runway in two black vehicles with blue police-like markings, Brussels prosecutors' spokeswoman Anja Bijmens told a press conference.

They forced their way through security barriers and sped towards a Swiss passenger aircraft about to take off on the runway, forcing open the cargo hold to reach gems that had already been loaded, she said.

Bijmens said the thieves were wearing police uniforms and carrying machine guns, adding: "They wanted to pass themselves off as cops."

They seized at least 120 packages, which was only a partial haul from the shipment, she said.

The pilot, co-pilot and staff from a Brink's armoured car that transported the gems were

held up but "no shots were fired and no-one was injured," Bijmens said of a robbery that was over "within minutes."

She said the thieves made off at high speed through the same gap in the security cordon they had opened in front of unsuspecting ground staff and travellers, adding that the passengers on board the plane "saw nothing" and that the aircraft, bound for Zurich, did not leave Brussels.

The Swiss air company said the plane was on a regular flight operated by its partner Helvetic Airways.

According to the AWDC, the global diamond business is worth more than \$60 billion each year.

Some \$200 million worth of stones move in and out of Antwerp every day, the spokeswoman added.

The gems taken "included rough stones as well as cut diamonds from Antwerp that were being transported to Zurich," the AWDC spokeswoman said.

Neither the prosecutor's office nor the AWDC official would give any details as to whom the shipment belonged. The prosecutor's office said the packages contained mainly diamonds.

The AWDC said the haul was worth \$50 million dollars.

Obama: Top US general to retire, not take NATO job

WASHINGTON (AFP) - President Barack Obama said Tuesday that General John Allen will retire and therefore not accept the top job at NATO, as he seeks to take care of his family after a 19-month tour in Afghanistan.

Speculation had been rife for weeks that Allen would not take up Obama's offer to accept the job as the alliance's supreme commander, even after he was cleared of wrongdoing in a drama over emails to a Florida socialite.


"Today, I met with General John Allen and accepted his request to retire from the military so that he can address health issues within his family," Obama said in a written statement.

Allen had returned from his post as the top US general in Afghanistan and asked for more time to think over his future.



Obama praised the Marine General for presiding over "significant growth" in Afghanistan's security forces and a "further degradation" of A-Qaeda.

"Above all, he cares deeply for the men and women in uniform who serve our nation -- as well as their families -- and I am grateful for the sacrifices made by his family in supporting him during his service," Obama said.



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Health & Living

Patient dies from SARS-like virus in Britain: *hospital*



A chest X-ray showing increased opacity in both lungs, indicative of pneumonia, in a patient with SARS

LONDON (AFP) - A person suffering from a SARS-like virus has died in Britain, hospital officials said on Tuesday, becoming the sixth fatality from the illness worldwide.

The patient was being treated for so-called novel coronavirus at Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham,

central England, and died on Sunday, the hospital said.

The victim was one of three people in the same family with the virus, which appeared to have been caught by one of the family members during a recent visit to the Middle East and Pakistan.

The World Health Organisation on Saturday urged countries to be vigilant over the spread of the virus.

A total of 12 cases of the virus have so far been reported to the WHO with five previous fatalities -- three in Saudi Arabia and two in Jordan.

The person who died in Britain already had a "long-term, complex unrelated health condition", the hospital said.

Syria hit by typhoid outbreak: *WHO*

GENEVA (AFP) - A rebel-held area of Syria has been hit by an outbreak of typhoid after power cuts hit water supplies and forced the population to turn to the Euphrates River, the UN's health agency warned Tuesday.

Tarik Jasarevic, spokesman for the World Health Organisation, told AFP that some 2,500 people had caught the disease in the country's northeast.

"They don't have access to clean water, or electricity to work their pumps, so they draw water from the river," he said.

The ability of international aid agencies to operate in Syria has been limited, despite the glaring needs created by a bloody civil war which broke out in March 2011 when the

regime of President Bashar al-Assad cracked down on protests.

Access to opposition-controlled areas has been particularly difficult, as it involves crossing battle frontlines, while the Syrian government has maintained restrictions on international aid group operations.

"We're working with local groups to provide typhoid treatment," said Jasarevic.

There have been no reports of deaths so far, he said.

"But the mortality rate from typhoid can be extremely high if it is not dealt with," he warned.

Typhoid is a bacterial disease spread by food or drink contaminated with the faeces or urine of infected people.

"The patient was immunocompromised and is believed to have contracted the virus from a relative who is being treated for the condition in a Manchester hospital," it added.

The hospital was working with Britain's Health Protection Agency to trace other family members and contacts of the patients, it added.

The other two patients from the same family are said to be recovering.

The cases raised alarm because they appeared to show person-to-person transmission of the virus, although the WHO said the risk of infection appeared to be low.

There have been four cases of the virus in Britain so far after a 49-year-old Qatari man was treated at a London hospital in September for the virus.

Coronaviruses cause most common colds but can also cause SARS (severe acute respiratory syndrome).

A SARS epidemic killed more than 800 people when it swept out of China in 2003, sparking a major international health scare.



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Romania busts Israeli human egg-trafficking ring



BUCHAREST (AFP) - Romanian police on Tuesday busted a human egg-trafficking ring involving Israeli specialists in assisted reproduction, just months after several Israeli doctors were sentenced in a similar case.

Police and prosecutors said the network consisted of 11 people, including Israeli doctors and Romanian managers

of a Bucharest clinic, but declined to say how many people were detained as the searches were ongoing.

According to police, the suspects recruited Romanian women -- mostly impoverished students -- and paid them 600 to 800 euros (\$800-\$1,100) for their eggs.

They then sold them for up to 4,000 euros to Israeli couples seeking assisted fertilisation.

"The suspects made huge profits through this illegal human egg trafficking", prosecutors said in a statement.

In November, a Romanian court sentenced four Israeli doctors in absentia to five years in prison for a similar egg-trafficking case.



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Microsoft switches Hotmail accounts to Outlook.com

NEW YORK (AFP) - Microsoft said Tuesday it had begun switching Hotmail accounts to Outlook.com as it officially launches its revamped email service.

"Starting today, Microsoft will begin to upgrade every Hotmail user to Outlook.com," the company said in a statement. "The upgrade is seamless and instant for Hotmail customers; everything including their @hotmail.com email address, password, contacts, etc., will stay the same."

Microsoft said last year it

was overhauling its email service as it adapts for mobile users and social media.

The number of active accounts on Outlook.com grew to 60 million in just six months during its preview period, Microsoft said, adding it lets users connect to Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter.

Outlook.com is also "designed to make it easy to send hundreds of photos and videos in a single message," it said.

Launched in 1996, Hotmail was among the first Web-based email services.

Dutch roof fire warning for 650,000 solar panels



Now-bankrupt Scheuten Solar Systems has reportedly sold at least 650,000 of its "Multisol" panels in Europe

THE HAGUE (AFP) - Hundreds of thousands of solar panels are at risk of setting roofs on fire because of an electrical fault, Dutch authorities and media warned Tuesday, with 15 roof fires already reported in Europe.

Now-bankrupt Scheuten

Solar Systems has reportedly sold at least 650,000 of its "Multisol" panels in Europe and 15,000 in the Netherlands.

"These solar panels have a faulty electrical connection which constitutes a fire hazard," the Dutch Food and Goods Authority (NVWA) said in a statement.

"People who have these dangerous solar panels on their roofs are advised to disconnect them in a safe manner," it added.

The problem is with the connection between the panel and a junction box at the back which could cause an electrical spark, damaging the box and causing it to smoulder.

"The sparks could jump

onto the roof and cause a fire," the NVWA said.

Dutch daily De Volkskrant reported that Scheuten Solar Systems sold some 650,000 of the solar panels across Europe between August 2009 and February 2012.

Scheuten allegedly knew about the fire risk as far back as 2010, De Volkskrant said, quoting company documents, but only began taking action last year after two fires broke out in France.

Based in the southeastern city of Venlo, Scheuten Solar Systems went bankrupt last year and since then at least 1,000 damage claims have been lodged with the company's receiver, the paper said.

The fire hazard can be neutralised by repairing or replacing the junction box, the paper said. However, the NVWA warned that "at this moment there's no good way of fixing it," and urged users to have the panel disconnected by professionals.

Many Dutch households are turning to solar power in the search for green energy, according to the Dutch central statistics office, but the country lags far behind Germany and Italy, the most prolific users of solar power in Europe.

BMW recalls 750,000 cars worldwide



FRANKFURT (AFP) - German luxury car maker BMW is recalling about 750,000 cars worldwide over potential electrical problems, a spokesman said on Tuesday. The recall affects mainly about 500,000 cars in the United States, specifically various versions of its 1-Series and 3-Series cars built between March 2007 and July 2011 and its Z4 model built between March 2009 and June 2011. Cars sold in Canada, Japan and South Africa were also affected, the spokesman said. The recall is the results of problems with a battery cable connector which could break and cause a loss of electrical power to the vehicle, causing the car to stall unexpectedly and even crash.

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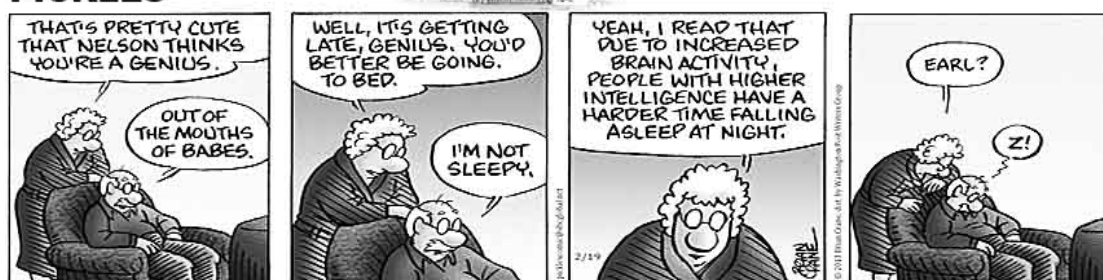
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10. Use a phone
14. Commotion
15. "The _____ Hilton" (1987 Moriarty film)
16. Taking it easy
17. Ardor
18. Words of Wisdom, Part I
20. Negative one
22. Little land mass
23. "Alley _____"
24. Lemony quaff
25. Words of Wisdom, Part II
33. These may be double
34. Trounce

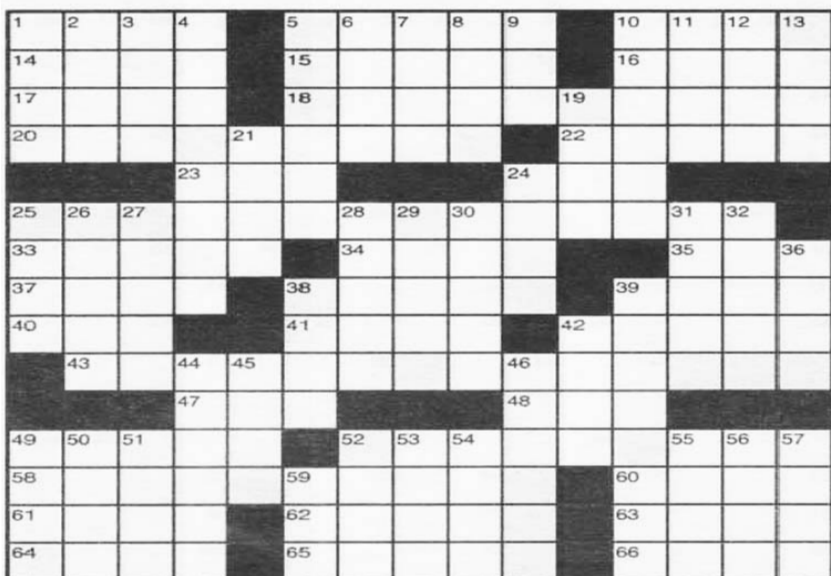
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37. Dune swoopers
38. Irvin and Ty
39. Kingly title
40. Lemon
41. Site of Nepal and Myanmar
42. Sandbank
43. Words of Wisdom, Part III
47. Aurora
48. Rhine feeder
49. Show off a ball gown
52. Put on more makeup
58. Words of Wisdom, Part IV
60. "Factory Girl" role
61. One of the Brontë sisters
62. Rubberneck

63. Long ago
64. Author Macdonald
65. Dr. Pangloss, for one
66. Husky's load

DOWN

1. Right direction
2. Old King _____
3. Nabokov heroine et al.
4. Rainy winds
5. _____ Elysées
6. Muslim on a pilgrimage to Mecca
7. Years, to Pedro
8. Palooka
9. Champagne-cassis concoction
10. Vin of "Pitch Black"

11. Pastoral poem
12. Burn-soothing plant
13. Out in _____ field (wrong)
19. Insect nests
21. Debt memos
24. Quantities: abbr.
25. Made a fine serve
26. Pluck, as a guitar
27. Caste member, often
28. Went skyward
29. _____ deal (trifle)
30. Arabian oil city
31. Prufrock's creator
32. Hagar's rival
36. Gym coach Karolyi
38. Members of an airport queue
39. Chisholm and Jackson
42. Horse-trade
44. Suit fabrics
45. Driver's fee
46. Quiet baby
49. Ivan the Terrible, for one
50. Bowery bum
51. Taverns
52. Alphabetic sequence
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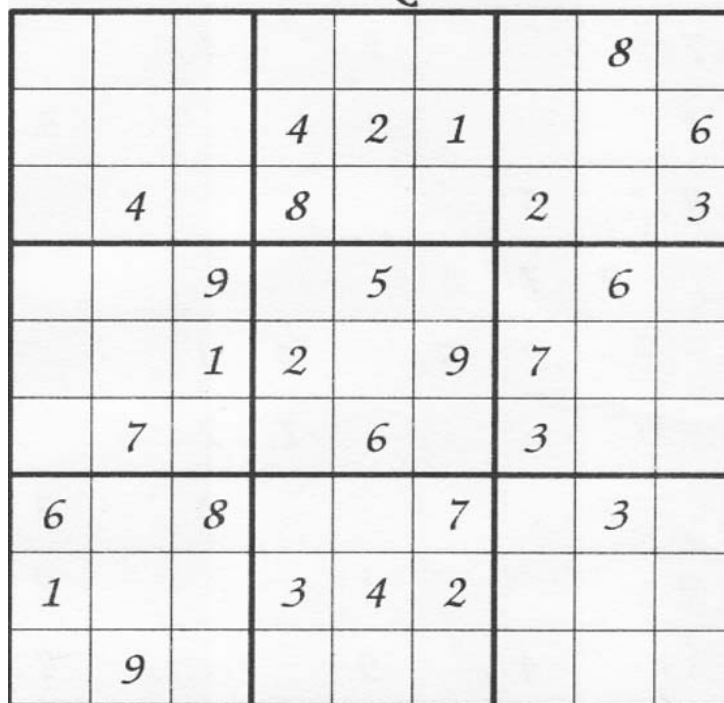
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German police make arrests in Maddof-style fraud case

BERLIN (AFP) - German police carried out a vast operation on Tuesday against a network of companies alleged to have swindled would-be real estate investors of more than 100 million euros, prosecutors in Frankfurt said.

"Today, about 1,200 investigators and 15 prosecutors carried out 130 searches and seized assets worth more than 100 million euros, as well as issued arrest warrants against the six allegedly responsible, aged between 33 and 70," the prosecutor's office said in a statement.

The sums involved reached hundreds of millions of euros (dollars), the office said.

The operation was carried out across seven regional states, including Hamburg and Bavaria, and 50 people are

suspected of involvement.

The prosecutors said police had been investigating a Frankfurt-based company since mid-2012, which the German news agency DPA identified as real estate firm S&K Sachwert.

The company is alleged to have partnered with hundreds of other firms as part of a Ponzi-like fraud scheme, a style of financial subterfuge made famous by US investor Bernard Maddof at the height of the financial crisis.

According to media reports, the company promised investors 12 percent profits on real estate investments, which were then diverted to finance the lavish lifestyles of company executives or pay back the first wave of investment victims.

Brazil workers occupy Chinese ship

SAO PAULO (AFP) - Around 50 Brazilian workers at South America's largest port are occupying a Chinese freighter to protest the use of Chinese labor rather than local longshoremen, unions said Tuesday.

The dispute began Monday at the port of Santos in south-east Brazil after the arrival of the Zhen Hua 10 from Shanghai loaded with towering equipment to be used for unloading and moving containers in Embraport's new private ter-

minal.

The president of the dockworkers union, Rodnei Oliveira da Silva, said that under Brazilian law the company has to use Brazilian longshoremen to unload the equipment in the terminal.



PORT SAID (AFP) - An Egyptian woman takes part in a sit-in at al-Shohda square of Port Said yesterday. Credit-ratings agency Moody's said, it has downgraded Egypt's government bond ratings by one notch from B2 to B3, citing the intensification of civil unrest and sliding foreign exchange reserves.

Obama cranks up budget showdown blame game

WASHINGTON (AFP) - President Barack Obama cranked up the blame game Tuesday over "meat cleaver" budget cuts due in 10 days, painting a dire picture of damage looming for the US economy and accusing Republicans of refusing to deal.

Obama surrounded himself with uniformed emergency workers who he said risked losing their capacity to respond to distress calls when stinging billion-dollar cuts known as the "sequester" come into force on March 1.

Emergency responders' will see their ability to respond to disasters degraded, border patrol agents will see their hours reduced and FBI agents will be furloughed, he said.

"Federal prosecutors will

have to close cases and let criminals go," he said. "Air traffic controllers and airport security will see cutbacks ... Thousands of teachers and educators will be laid off."

The slashing cuts to defense and domestic spending were mandated by an agreement between Obama and Republican foes to end a previous budget row.

The consequences of the device, known as the "sequester," were supposed to be so punishing that Democrats and Republicans would have no choice but to reach a deal to reduce the deficit.

But such is the partisan anger in Washington, no deal has been reached, and most observers now expect the cuts to happen, prompting both sides

to deploy a blame game approach to prepare the way for a post-sequester showdown.

Obama wants a "balanced" mix of spending cuts and tax revenue increases achieved by closing loopholes used by the wealthy to cut the US deficit, and says he will not sign a bill that harms the middle class.

Republicans who lost a previous showdown with Obama over raising tax rates for the rich, say the debate over raising taxes is closed.

They say they are willing to close loopholes, but only in the context of a sweeping reform of the tax code, and maintain Obama wants to use the proceeds from any immediate revenue rises for more bloated government spending.

US judge approves \$1 bln Transocean spill settlement

CHICAGO (AFP) - A US judge approved Tuesday a \$1 billion settlement for civil penalties against the rig operator involved in the 2010 Gulf of Mexico oil spill, the worst environmental disaster in American history.

The decision came after a \$400 million settlement of criminal penalties against Transocean was approved last week.

"The Court finds that there is no just reason for delay and therefore the Court enters this

Consent Decree as a final judgment," wrote Judge Carl Barbier of the US District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, in New Orleans.

The blowout on the drilling rig Deepwater Horizon on April 20, 2010, killed 11 people and sent 4.9 million barrels of oil gushing from the sea floor into the Gulf.

Transocean pleaded guilty to one criminal count of violating the Clean Water Act and agreed to pay the \$400 million fine for negligence that led to the explosion of the Deepwater Horizon rig.

The \$1 billion civil penalty is for fines related to the oil spilled into the Gulf.

It is also responsible for implementing measures to improve operational safety and emergency response capabilities at all their drilling rigs

working in waters of the United States.

The Swiss-based drilling company was operating the rig for British energy giant BP, which for its part was fined \$4.5 billion over its role in the disaster.

The crude flowed in uncontrolled fashion for almost three months in a tragedy that riveted the nation.

In total, the amount of fines and other criminal penalties imposed on Transocean are the second-largest environmental crime recovery in US history, after that slapped on BP.

Transocean must pay \$400 million of the civil penalties within 60 days and another \$400 million plus interest within a year. The remaining \$200 million must be paid, again with interest, within two years.

YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer

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New exhibition by island artist Jenny Kock opens at National Library



Artist with PM Eman, BNA Director Astrid Britten and sister Madi



The artist with mom, Dora and Director of DCA Dumfries

-- Director of Aruba's Department of Culture, Siegfried Dumfries, was proud to join the Director of Aruba's National Library, Astrid Britten, in officially opening the first solo exposition in over five years from noted island artist Jenny Kock. The DCA is sponsoring this exposition.

Jenny, flanked by his mother Dora, sister Madi, and brothers, welcomed family and aficionados of his work to view the collection during a grand opening event on Monday, March 18. It will be on display in the library's newly

renovated exposition room until February 28. This is the inaugural show for the expanded and refreshed facility.

Jenny is a well known figure at Aruba's weekly Bon Bini Festival and various national events. His story is inspiring. Seriously injured when young in a traffic accident, he adapted to his physical challenges to become an admired artist. The occasion of an opening of a solo exposition even prompted a visit from Aruba's Prime Minister, Mike Eman.

Best recognized for his bu-



colic shore scenes, brilliantly hued sunsets, and primitive style of flora and fauna of Aruba, Jenny's original and exceptional souvenirs are in high demand. His solo exposition, however, reveals a side of the artist rarely scene in his charming pastel drawings. He opens his soul; often pressed into a dark place by having to overcome the prejudice of being considered "handi-



Feeling apart

capped," and unable to accomplish anything. The heart-wrenching works poignantly express his battle of being accepted and feeling isolated from a community that only sees him as "disabled." These works are not only a statement, but represent a community of physically and mentally challenged individuals who often feel disenfranchised or rejected from main stream society. Thought most of his works focus on the physical beauty of his homeland, several are a painful cry for understanding.

Jenny's colorful and powerful statement can be viewed during regular library hours, Monday through Friday until the last day of the month. Morning hours are: 7:30 AM until Noon every day; Tuesdays and Thursday from 1:30 to 5:00 PM and on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 1:30 until 8:00 PM. The artist will be present during opening hours, and a more extensive collection of his works can be seen at his studios in Kadushi Largo.

by Rosalie Klein

Eat like a local at The Queen's restaurant at Palm Beach Plaza



Grandma's classic Stew beef with Rice and Potato salad

An elegant décor with a breezy terrace overlooking Palm Beach welcomes guests to Varela Innocencia's very popular restaurant showcasing authentic local cuisine:

The Queen's.

They may have moved from Oranjestad to hipper new digs in Palm Beach Plaza, but the food and prices are strictly native, which is what first won

this charming eatery their loyal clientele. Varela's mom, Luisa, is still in the kitchen, conjuring up the delicious dishes that have been in her family for generations, acknowledged on the menu with items such as "Carni Stoba di Mamachi"- "Grandma's Beef Stew," and their Arawak Steak, along with local delicacies like Keshi Yena -"Full Cheese."

This is a tasty, filling stew of chicken, with other ingredients that are handy that day, all incased in a thick skin of melted Gouda. It was very satisfying and particularly memorable paired with The Queen's garlic bread and very special Pica, a mix of chopped onions and the famous local hot pepper, Madame Janette. Not overly spicy, it lends that perfect bit of tang to this deliciously picturesque meal.

One of the distinctions of Aruban cuisine is incorporating unique indigenous ingredients such as in Wild Cucumber Stew and a particular light fish chowder accompanied by the local specialties pan bati (corn meal pancake) and funchi (the local version of polenta.)

Seafood main courses for Catch of the Day Aruban Style to shrimp and a mixed seafood platter with shrimp, fish, squid, scallops and mussels. Meat



Varela, Luisa and the next generation of chef

dishes such as BBQ Chicken and Ribs or Grilled Tenderloin, each including a choice of 2 side dishes; all quite yummy and bargain-priced to boot!

The Queen's is located on the second level of Palm Beach Plaza, tucked into a cozy corner at the front of the mall. If you have a mind to try the real deal in Aruban food,

without a doubt, this is the way to truly eat like a local. **They are open from 11:00 AM to 11:00 PM, daily**, offering indoor and outdoor dining. Aside from an extensive menu they also have daily specials made from whatever is in season and Mama Luisa is in the mood to prepare, so don't forget to ask about what isn't on the menu!

Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest

-- Management of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, reports that sales have been very good and encouraging as the global economy recovers and people looking to purchase vacation homes have found that Gold Coast is an outstanding investment value. Director of Sales, Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners in reality do not spend a great amount of time personally to use the villas or town homes they purchase, but are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their "home away from home" in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and are impressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community where the value of properties has only increased over time. It is only minutes to the best beaches and all the action, and yet offers a quiet and secluded getaway; we are very pleased by



the response to our concept."

Fito, with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy operate Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for all budgets for nearly twenty years. "Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project and the scope of actual and planned facilities and amenities. We have spoken to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on Aruba, and took from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who have dreamed of their own home in Aruba contributed to the realization of Gold Coast Aruba which when complete will be a community

of 260 town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning clubhouse complemented by two additional community pool areas, The Clubhouse is about to start construction and will offer to the community homeowners and visitors 2 tennis courts, full service spa and fitness center as well as a stunning pool area and is expected to be complete by early 2013. It will also house a restaurant and mini-market.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking only a few short years ago, are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their investment, particularly those taking advantage of the on site management's rental services program. There is always a great demand for Aruba and facili-

ties such as those at Gold Coast, make it easy for some owners to see a valuable return on their investment.

The design of the residences and public areas is open, airy and spacious, taking full advantage of the island environment, with quality construction and finishing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to offer custom options allowing buyers to individualize their homes. An elegant and chic furniture package is available or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property; not the

least is the future value of the investment. To further enhance this, Gold Coast management have inaugurated a number of in-house services and have recently become affiliated Interval International, the world's largest network of vacation ownership properties which provides an unlimited international pool of investors to tap for ownership and rental prospects. Property exchange for a vacation in another destination is also available through the Interval International affiliation. Gold Coast's own rental services have also proven highly successful in assisting owners in renting their villas; 24-hour security and maintenance services also tip the scales when it is time to make a decision. Aside from all this, housekeeping, child care, catering services, car rental through its partnership with AVIS car rental are also available as well as pre-shopping services so cupboards and refrigerators are stocked upon arrival, which can also be arranged through their property management department. Personnel are also available to assist in arranging restaurant reservations and island activities.

Visit their website: www.goldcoastaruba.com for more details and availability or call 586-2200 to arrange a personal tour.

Sport

Football: Goal-line technology and how it works



PARIS (AFP) - Ever since the dawn of football, governing bodies have been looking for ways to avoid controversial refereeing decisions.

Goals have always been awarded when they should not have been and disallowed when they should have stood, because referees and linesmen are unsighted or too far from the action.

Probably the most famous cases on the international stage, curiously all involve England, but the three events span 46 years.

The argument still rages to this day on whether Geoff Hurst's controversial third goal in the 1966 World Cup final at Wembley, awarded by referee Gottfried Dienst and Soviet linesman Tofik Bakhranov, actually crossed the line.

Then, in the 2010 World Cup against Germany, Frank Lampard had a perfectly good goal wiped out as England slipped to a 4-1 defeat, a decision which led FIFA president Sepp Blatter to apologise and push for goal-line technology to be introduced.

And in last year's Euro 2012, Ukraine were on the receiving end when Marko Devic's effort, which had clearly crossed the line, was hooked away to safety by John Terry.

Goal-line Technology (GLT) will be in place for this year's Confederations Cup in Brazil, as a dress rehearsal for next year's World Cup when it will be fully operational.

At present, two rival systems have been licensed by FIFA - although when it comes to putting the contracts out to tender, two more German firms are expected to throw their hats into the ring.

The most high profile system is Hawk-Eye.

Hawk-Eye works by utilising six cameras at each goal to track the ball on the pitch, not

disimilar to the system in use at the Wimbledon tennis tournament.

The British system's software employs "triangulation" to pinpoint the exact location of the football and if it crosses the goal-line, then an encrypted radio signal is sent to the referee's wristwatch to indicate a goal has been scored.

In line with FIFA's requirements, the whole process takes less than a second to complete.

The other competing system is GoalRef from Germany.

GoalRef uses a microchip

implanted in the ball and low magnetic waves around the goal.

The system detects any change in the magnetic field on or behind the goal-line to determine if a goal has been scored and, again, the process takes under one second for a message to be relayed to the referee.

Barring any last-minute problems, the expectation is that one or both systems will be used for the Confederations Cup and the World Cup.

And in line with England's history of controversy with goal-line incidents, London bookmakers have immediately quoted England at 66-1 to have a goal awarded by goal line technology at the 2014 World Cup.

The same odds are quoted for a disallowed goal.

Or anyone who fancies a more ambitious flutter should get down to Ladbrokes and put money on England at 400-1 to become the first side to win a major tournament thanks to being awarded a goal in the final under the new rules.

Athletics: Sponsors Nike, Oakley sever ties to Pistorius

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Nike and Oakley, two American companies that were sponsors of Oscar Pistorius, have cut ties with the South African Olympic athletics hero in the wake of charges that he murdered his girlfriend.

The 26-year-old double amputee Paralympic champion known as "Blade Runner" became an inspiration to millions when he competed on carbon-fibre running blades against able-bodied athletes in the London Olympics last year.

Reeva Steenkamp laid to rest



PORT ELIZABETH (AFP) - Pallbearers carry the coffin of the late South African model Reeva Steenkamp into the crematorium building in Port Elizabeth on February 19, 2013 after Steenkamp, 29, was shot four times in the early hours of last week by a 9mm pistol owned by South African sporting hero Oscar Pistorius. South African prosecutors on Tuesday told a bail hearing that Oscar Pistorius was guilty of "premeditated murder" in the Valentine's Day killing of his model girlfriend at his upscale home.

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Tennis: Gasquet blown out by journeyman Muller



Gilles Muller

MARSEILLE (AFP) - Frenchman Richard Gasquet's rich vein of form came to an abrupt halt on Tuesday as he was beaten in the first round of the Marseille Open, going down 2-6, 6-4, 7-6 (7/5) to journey-

man Gilles Muller of Luxembourg.

Gasquet, seeded five and one of five Top 10 players competing in Marseille, could only blame himself as he had battled back to one set all and led 5-2 in the decider, but wilted in the face of the risk-all approach of his left-handed opponent.

Muller, ranked 70th in the world, sealed victory on his first match point, putting in a brilliant return of serve before finishing it off with a volley.

It brought to an end a terrific run for Gasquet, who had won 15 of his previous 17 matches this year, collecting the titles at Doha and Montpellier to boot.

Muller's reward is a second round clash with gritty Spaniard Marcel Granollers, who beat another Frenchman the talented but injury-prone Gael Monfils 6-4, 6-4.

Gasquet's compatriot Benoit Paire, who was the beaten finalist in Montpellier, also bowed out, beaten by India's Somdev Devvarman, who has slumped to 354th in the rankings following an injury.



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Ronda Rousey

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Josh Neer

Anaheim, Calif.,
In the main event, Ronda Rousey will defend her UFC women's bantamweight title against Liz Carmouche. Former champions Dan Henderson and Lyoto Machida will clash in the co-main event.

Full UFC 157 fight card:
Main Card (PPV at 10 p.m. ET)

Ronda Rousey vs. Liz Carmouche

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Undercard (FX at 8 p.m. ET)

Brendan Schaub vs. Lavar Johnson

Michael Chiesa vs. Anton Kuivanen
Dennis Bermudez vs. Matt Grice
Sam Stout vs. Carlos Fodor
Undercard (Facebook at 6:35 p.m. ET)
Kenny Robertson vs. Brock Jardine
Jon Manley vs. Neil Magny
Nah-Shon Burrell vs. Yuri Villefort



Nah-Shon Burrell

Braves to retire No. 10



ATLANTA - The Atlanta Braves will retire Chipper Jones' number and induct him into the team's hall of fame on June 28.

The Braves announced Tuesday they will hold a banquet and ceremony honoring Jones before their game against the Arizona Diamondbacks.

Jones spent his entire two-decade career with the Braves before retiring after last season. He won the National League MVP in 1999, claimed the league batting title in 2008, and was an eight-time All Star.

No. 10 will be 10th number retired by the Braves, joining Hank Aaron's 44, Eddie Mathews' 41, Dale Murphy's 3, Phil Niekro's 35, Warren Spahn's 21, Greg Maddux's 31, Tom Glavine's 47, Bobby Cox's 6, and John Smoltz's 29. All major league teams retired No. 42 in honor of Jackie Robinson.

Hivert wins again



MADRID (AFP) - Frenchman Jonathan Hivert, of the Sojasun team, followed up his victory in Monday's first stage by winning the second stage of the Tour of Andalusia on Tuesday. The 27-year-old once again prevailed in a sprint, this time from American Tyler Farrar and Italy's Francesco Lasca, at the end of the 194.2km ride from Trebujena to Montilla. In the overall standings, Spain's Alejandro Valverde retained the lead by a margin of seven seconds from Belgium's Juergen Van den Broeck. Wednesday's third and final stage will take the peloton 182.7km from Lucena to Rincon de la Victoria.

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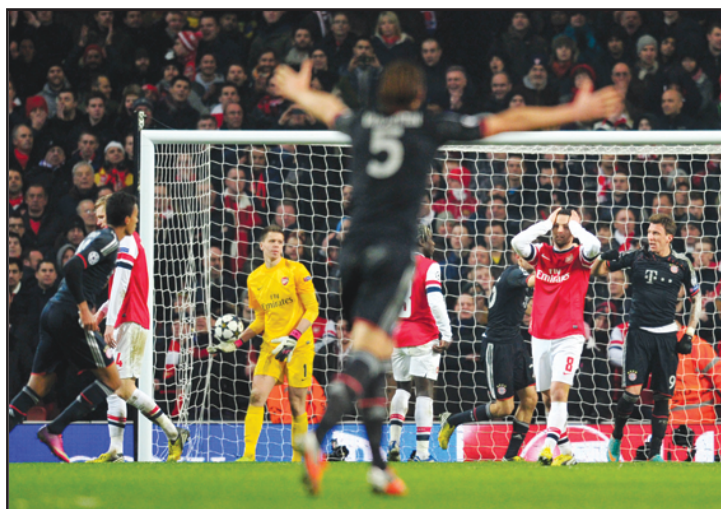
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Football: Bristling Bayern blacken Arsenal's nightmare



Bayern Munich players celebrate and Arsenal players react after Bayern Munich's Croatian striker Mario Mandzukic (R) scores their third goal

LONDON3 (AFP) - Bayern Munich loaded fresh misery onto beleaguered Arsenal with a 3-1 win at the Emirates Stadium on Tuesday that left them with one foot in the Champions League quarter-finals.

Seeking a reaction after Saturday's shock FA Cup exit at the hands of second-tier Blackburn Rovers, Arsenal were instead soundly beaten by a Bayern side desperate to atone for last season's Champions League final heartache.

Runaway leaders in the Bundesliga, Bayern bossed the first half of the last 16, first leg, and went in 2-0 up at half-time through goals from Toni Kroos and Thomas Mueller.

Lukas Podolski replied

early in the second half, breaching his former club's defence for the first time in 2013, but Mario Mandzukic struck late on to put Bayern firmly in control ahead of the second leg on March 13.

With defeat, Arsenal's hopes of ending an eight-year trophy drought recede still further, and although Bayern will be without the suspended Bastian Schweinsteiger in the second leg, with three away goals, they may not miss him.

The return of the Champions League gave Arsenal the opportunity to forget their domestic woes, and the smoke from the Bayern fans' flares that drifted across the pitch at kick-off only served to emphasise the change of atmosphere.

Greeted by roars from the home fans as they left the tunnel, Arsenal began with intent, and saw first Santi Cazorla and then Theo Walcott thread inviting crosses into the Bayern box from the right.

However, the wind was sucked from their sails in only the seventh minute as Bayern took the lead from their first attack.

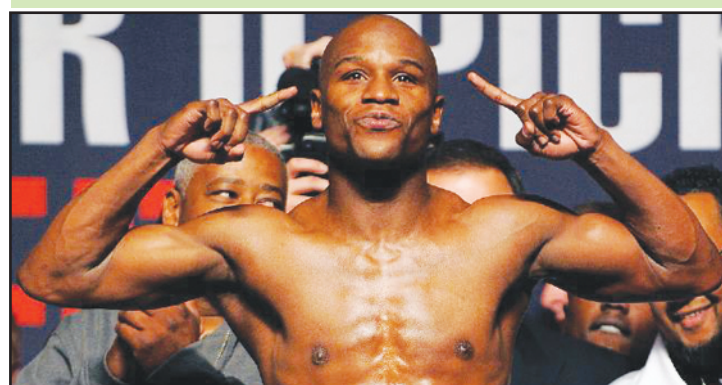
Mueller's cross from the right eluded the stretching Mikel Arteta and Kroos beat Per Mertesacker to the bouncing ball to hit a crisp half-volley that skipped off the turf and flashed past the flailing Wojciech Szczesny.

It was a cruel blow for Arsenal and things got even worse in the 21st minute, with Mueller volleying into the roof of the net from close range after Szczesny parried Daniel Van Buyten's header from a right-wing corner.

Bacary Sagna and Arteta found their way into the referee's book as the hosts' frustrations threatened to get the better of them, while Bayern's fans launched a gleeful chorus of the English terrace chant, 'Football's coming home!'

Arsenal manager Arsene Wenger introduced Tomas Rosicky and Olivier Giroud in the 72nd minute and the pair almost made an immediate impact.

Boxing: Mayweather to face Guerrero in May, inks new TV deal



LAS VEGAS (AFP) - Unbeaten welterweight fighter Floyd Mayweather said Tuesday that he will face fellow American Robert Guerrero on May 4 as part of a new deal with telecasters CBS and Showtime.

Mayweather, who previously had worked with rival telecaster HBO, called the new deal for up to six fights over 30 months the biggest in boxing history, but said financial details of the contract were confidential.

Should all six fights take place and his pay-per-view averages of more than one million buys per bout hold steady, Mayweather claimed the deal would be the largest for an individual athlete in sports history.

Mayweather, 43-0 with 26 knockouts, has not fought since taking a unanimous 12-round decision from Miguel Cotto last May. Since then, Mayweather has served a 90-day jail sentence for domestic

battery.

Southpaw Guerrero, 31-1-1 with 18 knockouts, has won 15 fights in a row since suffering his only loss, a 2005 split-decision defeat at the hands of Mexico's Gamaliel Diaz.

Boxing fans have long sought a Mayweather fight against Filipino icon Manny Pacquiao, 54-5 with two drawn and 38 knockouts.

But the Asian star lost his last two fights, the most recent when he was stopped in the sixth round by Mexico's Juan Manuel Marquez last December.




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